

Important Dates

Monday, August 8, 2011 (Week 7) - First official practice date

Saturday, August 13, 2011 (Week 7) - Regular season competition may begin

Wednesday, September 15, 2011 – All schedules, scores, rosters, and team photos for all levels must be posted on the NMAA website.

Monday, October 31, 2011 (Week 19) -Class B-AAAAA Dist. Tournament Begins

Sunday, November 6, 2011 (Week 20) – Selection/Seeding for Class A-AAAAA (12 Teams), Selection/Seeding for Class B (8 Teams)

Thursday-Saturday, November 10-12, 2011 (Week 20) – Pool Play all classes, Class A-AAAAA 1st Round; Class B- AAAAA Quarterfinals, Semifinals, Finals for All Classes.

Libero Trackers

It is the responsibility of the host team to provide a libero tracker regardless if the home team has a libero in their lineup.

Artificial Noisemakers

Under NFHS rules, the use of artificial noisemakers is prohibited. However, New Mexico's exception states that the use of artificial noisemakers is allowed during prematch, between points, timeouts, between games, and post-game. Any noisemaker which imitates an officials' whistle or any other signaling device is strictly prohibited.

State Championship Site

Santa Ana Star Center in Rio Rancho, Rio Rancho High School and Cleveland High School will serve as the state championship sites. All matches at Santa Ana Star Center will be played on sport court. In all rounds but the finals, four courts will be utilized at once. For the finals only, one championship court will be utilized. The exception to the above is Class A-AA who will play their first round match at a high school site; Class B will play their first round, quarterfinals and semi finals in Rio Rancho.

7.11.1 Selection /Seeding Committees

- A. Members of the NMAA Staff will be responsible for the entire Seeding and Selection process in all team sports. Coaches will be asked to give their input for seeding and selection purposes.

7.11.2 Selection process for the 8 and 12 team format in classes B-5A in the sport of volleyball

- A. District Champions will automatically advance to the playoffs. Exception: In the sport volleyball, if the regular season district

champion and district tournament champion are different, they will both automatically advance to the playoffs.

- B. The remainder of the teams will be selected by the NMAA Staff using the following criteria. There is neither order nor priority in the criteria listed below:
1. Finish in district play and/or district tournaments.
 2. Head to head
 3. Performance against other teams including district champions or runner-ups from other districts, regardless of class.
 4. Input from NMAA staff members.
 5. Overall records.
 6. Elimination – what teams from that particular class do not fit the 12 or 16 team format due to their lack of success during the current year.
 7. New Mexico High School Coaches Association Poll.
 8. Member school input form must be submitted by the member school's head coach no later than 10:00 AM on the day of the seeding meeting

****NOTE:** One district team cannot be seeded or selected higher than another who came out of district as a lower seed with regular season taking precedence over tournament play. In the event of a tie in the regular season district standings, the NMAA Staff may use district tournament results or any other head to head competition to determine the selection/seeding order between the two teams that are tied.

Example 1: The district teams are Alamogordo, Gadsden, Las Cruces, Mayfield and Oñate. In volleyball, prior to the district tournament, the teams are seeded as follows:

Gadsden – 1, Oñate – 2, Mayfield – 3, Las Cruces – 4,
Alamogordo – 5

Scenario: Las Cruces enters the district volleyball tournament as the 4 seed, but upsets Mayfield, Oñate, and Gadsden and wins the tournament championship. Gadsden (regular season champion) and Las Cruces (tournament champion) both automatically advance into the field of 16. However, both Mayfield and Oñate get At-Large berths as well. By rule Gadsden must be seeded above Oñate, Oñate

above Mayfield, and Mayfield above Las Cruces because regular season play takes precedence over tournament play.

7.11.3 Seeding Process/Criteria for Class B-5A in Volleyball

A. Teams will be seeded 1-8 (Class B), and 1-12 (Class A-5A)

***NOTE – ADDITIONAL SEEDING INFORMATION LISTED AT BOTTOM OF THIS PAGE**

Passes/Complementary List

All Championship Events, excluding Basketball: Coaches and administrators at NMAA member schools will provide the complimentary entrance table/booth with two forms of identification (school ID and driver license) and sign in on the VIP list in order to receive free admission into the event.

Coaches are only permitted complimentary admission to the sport or sports in which they coach. Coaches' names must be submitted to the NMAA via the Information On-Line Reporting System.

It should be noted that the complimentary admission only permits the coach and/or administrator complimentary admission; it does NOT permit spouses or guests.

Officials will follow the same procedure; however one form of identification must be presented with the volleyball official's registration card.

7.7.2 Participant, Coach/ School Personnel Ejection

A. **Participant Ejection** - When a participant is ejected/disqualified from any contest/game for unsportsmanlike conduct the minimum penalty shall be as follows:

1. FIRST OFFENSE

- Automatic suspension from the next contest/game at the same level and may not participate at any level until the one-game suspension has been served.
- The ejected participant must complete the NMAA's online Pursuing Victory with Honor course prior to returning to competition.
- Verification of program completion must be submitted to the NMAA prior to returning to competition.

2. SECOND or SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES

- Automatic suspension from the next contest/game minimally and depending upon the individual case, a more restrictive penalty may be imposed as determined by the Director, including a meeting with the Director or his designee and the coach and school administrator.
- The involved school and official are required to notify the Association, in writing, of each offense or be subject to additional sanctions.

***NOTE:** Participant ejections are concurrent throughout the year and not per sports season.

Example: If a young man is ejected from a football game, and this same young man is ejected from a basketball game, this would be considered his second offense.

Participant Ejection Clarification:

- Student athletes may not dress out in uniform, participate in warm-up, or be directly involved with the contest in any way.
- Student athletes may attend the contest, sit on the bench, or stand on the sideline if approved by the local school administration.
- Student athletes may travel with the team for out of town contests if approved by the local school administration.
- Any violation of this policy may result in further sanctions as deemed necessary by the Executive Director.

B. School Personnel Ejection - A coach/school employee who is ejected from an athletic contest/game, regardless of sport, is required to meet the following criteria:

1. FIRST OFFENSE

- Sit out the next contest/game minimally, at all levels. This penalty is the responsibility of the local school district to impose. This sanction is subject to final approval by the NMAA after such violation is reported within a reasonable time frame but prior to the next contest.
- Complete the NMAA’s online Pursuing Victory with Honor course prior to their return to competition.
- The member school will be required to pay a \$100.00 sanction to the NMAA.

2. SECOND OR SUBSEQUENT OFFENSES

- Automatic suspension from the next contest/game minimally and depending upon the individual case a more restrictive penalty may be imposed as determined by the Director, including a meeting with the Director or his designee.

- Mandatory completion of the National Federation of High Schools' (NFHS) Fundamentals of Coaching Course.
- The member school will be required to pay a \$250.00 sanction to the NMAA. The fine will be doubled for subsequent offenses.

***NOTE:** Coaching/School Personnel ejections are concurrent throughout the school year and not per sports season. Example: If a football coach is ejected from a football game in the fall, and the same coach, who now coaches baseball, is ejected from a baseball game in the spring, this would be considered his second offense.

Failure to comply or repeated offenses may result in up to a one year suspension, a monetary fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or suspension of the school from the Association for the activity in which the coach was involved and who will be required to meet with the Director or his designee in Albuquerque at the NMAA Office. The fine and/or suspension is at the discretion of the Director.

Coach Ejection Clarification:

- Coaches must leave the playing facility of the scheduled contest 30 minutes prior to the start of the event. The coach may have absolutely no further communication with any team personnel (coaches, team members, managers, trainers, etc.) until the contest is concluded.
- Coaches may travel with the team for out of town contests in the capacity of a chaperone, but must adhere to the rule stated above prior to and during the contest.
- Coaches may attend contests of other teams during the sit out period providing the other game(s) is being played at a site other than that of the coach's team.

Volleyball Sports Specific Committee

- 5A Representative – Toby Manzanares, Rio Rancho High School
- 4A Representative – Kim Bell, Moriarty High School
- 3A Representative – Brian Ainsworth, Pojoaque High School
- 2A Representative – Glenda Noblitt, Estancia High School
- 1A Representative – Darrell Chenault, Elida High School
- At-Large – Keith Leupold, Las Cruces High School
- Athletic Director – Nickie McCarty, Taos High School
- Athletic Director – Vicki Nelms, Los Alamos High School
- NMOA Representative – John Villescás, Southwest Region
- NMAA Representative – Sally Marquez, Associate Director
- NMAA Representative – Alissa McCarthy, Assistant Director of Volleyball

***SEE BELOW FOR MORE DETAILED INFORMATION ON SEEDING/SELECTION**

Seeding and Selection School Input (Volleyball)



School: _____

Classification: _____

District: _____

Name: _____

Cell Phone Number: _____

Home Phone Number: _____



Seeding:

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

4) _____

5) _____

6) _____

7) _____

8) _____ (Class B)

9) _____

10) _____

11) _____

12) _____ (Class A-5A)

To be submitted by the head coach after the season is complete and no later than the deadlines specified below:
Class B-5A:

- November 6, 2011 @ 10:00 AM

Fax to: 505.923.3114
-or-
E-Mail to: smarquez@nmact.org
Questions:
Sally Marquez
NMAA Associate Director
505.923.3267 (office)

Justification:

District Placement



School: _____

Sport: _____

Classification: _____

District: _____

Gender: ___ Boys ___ Girls

Name: _____

Cell Phone Number: _____

Home Phone Number: _____

District Finish (Regular Season):

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____
- 4) _____
- 5) _____
- 6) _____
- 7) _____
- 8) _____
- 9) _____
- 10) _____

District Finish (District Tournament):

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____
- 4) _____
- 5) _____
- 6) _____
- 7) _____
- 8) _____
- 9) _____
- 10) _____

NOTE: Please denote any ties above. “*District Tournament*” section will only be utilized for volleyball and basketball.

To be submitted by each district chairperson once the season is complete.

Fax to: 505.923.3114